अनुमोदन कर दिए जाने के बाद स्कीम के ब्यौरे तैयार करके उन्हें अधिसूचित किया जाएगा ।

(ग) और (घ) जी, हां ।

(ङ) जी, नहीं । हालांकि कुछेक जोन-एककों का कार्य-निष्पादन हो सकता है, संतोषजनक नहीं किन्तु निर्यात संसाधन जोनों से होने वाले निर्यातों में सामान्यतः उत्साहजनक वृद्धि दिखाई देती है ।

Decline in the rate of export

3171. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India's exports during the first two months of current financial year registered a 29.6 per cent growth in *dollar* terms *over* the level in the corresponding months of the previous year; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether according to government if the present trend continues, the country may exceed the target of 20 per cent export growth in dollar terms during 1993-94 ;

(c) if so, in what special terms the Government propose to achieve such a goal;

• (d) whether Government are aware that there has been a consistant fall in the dollar receipts from exports during April-May of the last three years; and

(e) what are the details for April-May 1990; April-May 1992 tha reasons for such a continued fall ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COM MERCE (SUM KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) Yes, Sir. Exports during April-May, 1993 are provisionally esti mated at US $ 3458.58 million as against US $ 2666.83 million during April-May 1992 registering a growth of 29.69%.

(b) Export during the first quarter of 1993-94 have registered a growth of 27.76% in US dollar terms. If the present trend continues, the target is likely to be achieved.

(c) The Government have taken major steps for liberalisation of trade which include provisions such as, exports linked imports, reduction of import licensing, strengthening .export incentives, removal of procedural irritants through simplification of policy and procedure and pruning Of negative list of exports. In the 93-94 Budget, the system of market determined unified exchange rate has been introduced, customs and excise duties reduced on raw materials and capital goods and interest rate on rupee export credit has been reduced. Besides, 34 commodities have been identified as Extreme Focus Sectors for a special export thrust abroad. The EXIM Policy 92—97 has been amended to include a scheme of export oriented units for agriculture and allied products. The State Governments are also being involved in export promotion efforts.

(d) and (e) The value of exports during the period April-May 1990 to April-May 1993 in US $ terms are given below :

(In US $ Million)

April-May	Value of Exports
1990-91	2931.44
1991-92	2827.93
1992-93	2666.83
1993-94	3458.58

There was a decline in exports during April-May 91 & April-May 92 compared to April-May-90. However, there is increase in exports in April-May 93. compared to all the previous three years.

The decline in exports in April-May, 91 & April-May 92 was due primarily to a fall in exports to former RPA countries.

EPZ Near Bangalore

3172. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Centre had earlier rejected a proposal from the government of Karnataka for establishment of Export Processing Zone near Bangalore and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the Centre would reconsider its stance in regard *to* accord of approval for an EPZ near Bangalore, in view of the excellent potential that Bangaiore offers for exports ; and

(c) whether the Centre would expedite its decision so as to enable the State Government to modify the Export Oriented Industrial Zone project already under implementation to a fullfledged EPZ ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COM MERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) to (c) Government had received a proposal to develop as an EPZ an Industrial Zone being established by the State Govt, at Whitefield, near Banga lore. Keeping in mind the availability of